

LEXINGTON COUNTY HOLLOW CREEK WATERSHED PROJECT SEPTIC REPAIR PROCESS

The purpose of this document is to provide the step by step process for applying for funds under the County's Hollow Creek Watershed Grant Project for septic tank repair/replacement. Questions about this process should be forwarded to Synithia Williams at 803-785-8634 or swilliams@lex-co.com.

- Homeowner completes and submits the Lexington County "Application for Septic System Upgrade" to the Public Works Stormwater Division (440 Ball Park Rd. Lexington, SC 29072)
- 2. Lexington County will pre-screen applications for qualification for the 319 grant program
- 3. SCDHEC will visit each potentially qualified house and complete the initial inspection to confirm whether each home qualifies for the program (i.e. systems that only require pumping will not qualify for the program).
- 4. If a home is approved for the program, the homeowner must complete an SCDHEC "Application for Permit to Construct".
- 5. SCHDEC will develop plans for the septic repair and issue a "Permit to Construct".
- 6. Lexington County will work with the homeowner to schedule an approved contractor to begin the repair (according to the SCDHEC plans).
- 7. If the house meets the 319 grant qualifications, the homeowner will pay 40% of the cost of the repair directly to the contractor. Lexington County will pay the remaining 60% of the cost of the repair.
- 8. Once the septic repair is complete (but not backfilled with dirt), SCDHEC will return to complete the final inspection and issue a construction/operation permit.

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